



# 2025 NORTH DAKOTA JUNIOR BEEF EXPO

## RULES

### **CATTLE SHOW**

1. Open to all FFA, 4-H and junior breed association members. North Dakota residency is not a requirement. The NDJPSA age requirement is at least 8 years old and not older than 21 years old as of Oct. 1 of the current show calendar year.
2. All livestock health requirements must be met. Although North Dakota exhibitors will not be required to provide health certificates, they are expected to police their own animals for any potential health problems (i.e. warts, ringworm, etc.). A certificate of veterinary inspection is required on all animals entering the state, as is brand inspection. A brand inspector will be on-site Sunday for return inspections.
3. **Entry deadline is June 2.**  
The entry fee of \$20/heifer or \$30/market animal (steer or heifer) must accompany each form. Each exhibitor will receive show premiums, a free t-shirt and one free meal on Saturday night. **Entries postmarked after June 2 will be assessed with a late fee of \$10 per animal.** (Cow-calf pairs are considered as one entry).
4. Each exhibitor may enter as many animals as he or she wishes. No substitutions allowed. Each exhibitor must show his or her own animals. No exceptions will be allowed except for illness or emergency. If the exhibitor has two animals in the same class, another junior may show the second animal. Notice must be given to the North Dakota Junior Beef Expo Co-Chairmen prior to the show.
5. **Ownership:**
  - (a) Animals must be owned and registered by the exhibitor or his or her immediate family. In the case of commercial heifers or market animals, animals must be owned by the exhibitor or his or her immediate family.
  - (b) The date of ownership must be on or before March 1, 2025, for market animals, and May 15, 2025, for heifers. Registration papers of those participating in the Junior Point Show Program will be checked.
6. All exhibitors are responsible for the welfare of their animals. Exhibitors are expected to provide adequate feed, water, bedding and housing for the comfort of their animals. We encourage the humane treatment of animals, and mistreatment will not be tolerated. The comfort and safety of the animal must be addressed throughout the show. Exhibitors are expected to handle their animals in a gentle and calm manner and not create undue excitement in the vicinity of other livestock or people.
7. Artificial means of removing or remedying any physical defect is not allowed. Other than dehorning and castration, the surgical or non-surgical alteration of the conformation of an animal is prohibited. The use of false tail heads or adding hair or hemp to any part of the animal's body is prohibited. All cattle shall be made available for a veterinary examination if requested.
8. The show will be conducted in compliance with the North Dakota Junior Point Show Association and results will be turned into the NDJPSA. Exhibitors will be expected to comply with any additional rules and regulations set by their individual breed associations.
9. By entering cattle in the North Dakota Junior Beef Expo, the exhibitor agrees to abide by all show rules. Final interpretation of show rules will be made by officials of the North Dakota Junior Beef Expo. Their decision will be final.
10. No butt fans are allowed. Overhead or cage fans will be permitted. Aisles should remain free of show boxes, equipment and chairs.

## **CONTEST DETAILS**

### **SHOWMANSHIP CONTEST:**

- Individuals who have cattle entered in the show will automatically be included in the showmanship contest.
- Contestants will compete in three age groups (PeeWee Division: 0-8; Junior Division: 9-13; Senior Division: 14-21)
- PeeWees will compete first, followed by Juniors and Seniors.
- Contestants must show their own animals. No substitutions.
- A champion and reserve champion will be named in both the junior and senior divisions.

### **SUPREME HEIFER:**

- The champion and reserve champion heifers from each breed will compete for Supreme Heifer honors. The Supreme Overall Heifer will receive \$500, the Reserve Supreme will receive \$400, the Third Overall Heifer will receive \$300, the Fourth Overall Heifer will receive \$200 and the Fifth Overall Heifer will receive \$100.

### **MARKET ANIMAL SHOW:**

- Steers and heifers to be shown in the market animal class. If a heifer is entered in the market show, she may not be entered in the breed show. The Supreme Overall Market Animal will receive \$500 and the Reserve Supreme will receive \$250.

### **HARDEST WORKER AWARD:**

- The winner will be selected based on hard work, participation in events and enthusiasm.

### **STOCKMEN'S MEMBER AWARD:**

- All North Dakota Stockmen's Association members or children of members will be eligible for a \$100 drawing.

### **AWARDS:**

- Premiums will be paid out dependent upon the number of head in each class. Checks will be mailed upon completion of the Junior Beef Expo.
- An award will be given for Champion and Reserve Champion Showman in each division.

## **ADDITIONAL INFORMATION**

### **ACCOMMODATIONS:**

- A block of rooms has been reserved at Teddy's Residential Suites (\$109.00 + tax). Refer to the ND Junior Beef Expo block when calling. The number is (701) 842-6262.

### **CAMPING:**

- On-site camping is available.

### **ENTRY FORMS:**

- Entry forms are available by visiting [www.ndstockmen.org](http://www.ndstockmen.org) (under "Events"). You may also call (701) 223-2522 or e-mail [jkoski@ndstockmen.org](mailto:jkoski@ndstockmen.org).

*Checks for the NDJBE should be made payable to the NDSA. Please send NDJBE entries to:*

North Dakota Junior Beef Expo  
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Bismarck, ND 58503

*For information regarding the Bakken Classic, please e-mail [bakkenclassic@gmail.com](mailto:bakkenclassic@gmail.com).*